## Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-10 (Cancelled)

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An <u>isolated</u> antibody immunologically specific for an <u>isolated</u> human <u>methyl-CpG</u> binding endonuclease 1 (MED1) protein of SEQ ID NO: 2, about 580 amino acids in length, said protein comprising an amino terminal methyl CpG binding domain, an internal segment containing a plurality of positively charged amino acids and a carboxyterminal catalytic domain, said protein having binding affinity for CpG methylated DNA.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The antibody as claimed in claim 14, said antibody being monoclonal.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The antibody as claimed in claim 14, said antibody being polyclonal.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): An <u>isolated</u> antibody fragment immunologically specific for a <u>methyl-CpG binding endonuclease</u>

1 (MED1) protein of SEQ ID NO: 2, said fragment being selected from the group consisting of Fab fragment, <u>Fd fragment</u>, dAB fragment, Fv fragment, <u>isolated CDR region and</u> F(ab')2 fragment, and single chains Fv fragment.